

1                                   **UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**  
2                                   **DISTRICT OF NEVADA**

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4       Sherry Alexander,

5               Plaintiff

6       v.

7       City of Las Vegas,

8               Defendant

Case No. 2:23-cv-00480-JAD-MDC

**Order re: Second Motion to Extend  
Deadline to Respond to Motion for  
Summary Judgment**

ECF No. 24

9               Plaintiff Sherry Alexander is represented in this employment suit by attorney Melanie  
10       Hill, Esq. A month ago, this court granted Ms. Hill's request to extend her deadline to respond  
11       to the defendant's pending motion for summary judgment, which was filed in mid-January,<sup>1</sup>  
12       because Ms. Hill was then in a jury trial in front of the undersigned judge.<sup>2</sup> Minutes before that  
13       extended deadline arrived, Ms. Hill filed a motion for a second extension, this time because she  
14       was headed out of the office for ten days for spring break vacation.<sup>3</sup> The defendant opposes this  
15       request, arguing that Ms. Hill has not shown good cause because her last-minute filing doesn't  
16       reflect that she has been diligent in seeking an extension or that she truly needs so much  
17       additional time.<sup>4</sup>

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23       <sup>2</sup> ECF No. 23.

<sup>3</sup> ECF No. 24.

<sup>4</sup> ECF No. 25.

1           Unfortunately, last-minute extension requests and late filings have become routine for  
2 Ms. Hill.<sup>5</sup> They create unnecessary delays, require extra responses and orders, and drive up the  
3 cost of litigation. So although this court will grant this second extension request and extend the  
4 deadline to respond to the motion for summary judgment until March 25, 2024, this deadline will  
5 not be further extended absent extraordinary circumstances—and another vacation or a post-  
6 vacation medical episode will not be deemed extraordinary in light of Ms. Hill’s history with this  
7 court.

8           Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED that **the motion for a second extension of time [ECF**  
9 **No. 24] is GRANTED, and the plaintiff’s response to the motion for summary judgment**  
10 **[ECF No. 21] must be filed on or before March 25, 2024. This deadline is not likely to be**  
11 **further extended.**

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14 U.S. District Judge Jennifer A. Dorsey  
15 March 18, 2024  
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<sup>5</sup> This was true in the *Dittmar v. City of North Las Vegas* case, 2:17-cv-02916-JAD-BNW, which went to trial last month.